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**From:** Vallejos, Cinna  
**Sent:** Wed 10/28/2015 1:08:49 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas Long Term Strategy

Nope. Since we went with the deviation request I think my questions got lost. Do you want me to ask again?

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**From:** Williams, Laura  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 4:13 PM  
**To:** Vallejos, Cinna  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas Long Term Strategy

Cinna,

Have you received any feedback on the questions below? - lw

**From:** Vallejos, Cinna  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 12:58 PM  
**To:** Wharton, Steve; Miller, Johanna; Ostrander, David

**Cc:** Peterson, Cynthia; Murray, Bill; Williams, Laura; Leclerc, Russell; Hulstein, Sarah  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas Long Term Strategy

All,

I had a very good call with Victoria and Ellyn. R8 is going to seek from Reggie and Jim W a legal opinion from OGC.

- 1) Is Subpart O, with a deviation, the appropriate mechanism for GKM local governments and tribes to be reimbursed for related activities including pre-award costs?
- 2) Which section (s) of subpart O?
- 3) Is removal or remedial the correct appropriated funds to use or is it a combination based on activities.

Lastly and I don't know if this is a HQ question but how do we make sure that anything that might be reimbursed via the claims process wouldn't run the risk of also being funded by a cooperative agreement or vice versa.

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**From:** Wharton, Steve  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:35 AM  
**To:** Vallejos, Cinna; Miller, Johanna; Ostrander, David  
**Cc:** Peterson, Cynthia; Murray, Bill; Williams, Laura  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas Long Term Remediation Outreach Strategy

Cinna – Based on a conversation I had with David Ostrander last week, I believe we need input from the Removal Program (including their required coordination with the ICP) before we can respond to the potential grant recipients regarding the acceptability of their proposed tasks. I don't believe the Remedial Program can/should make these decisions without better definition of what are allowable activities and the underlying authority.

Steve

**From:** Vallejos, Cinna  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 9:25 AM  
**To:** Monica Sheets - CDPHE; Miller, Johanna; Wharton, Steve  
**Cc:** Peterson, Cynthia; Murray, Bill; [doug.jamison@state.co.us](mailto:doug.jamison@state.co.us)  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas Long Term Remediation Outreach Strategy

Could someone please send me the most recent list of activities that EPA and CDPHE agree to and feel are appropriate. I will work on identifying what authority they fall under. We need to keep in mind that for the Superfund \$\$/CA at this time the activities have to be directly related to Gold King Mine incident. If there is ever an NPL determination they could apply for a support CA.

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**To:** Miller, Johanna  
**Cc:** Peterson, Cynthia; Murray, Bill; [doug.jamison@state.co.us](mailto:doug.jamison@state.co.us); Vallejos, Cinna  
**Subject:** Re: Upper Animas Long Term Remediation Outreach Strategy

Ok. I'm glad I asked because I thought region 8 was going to give us feedback on San Juan Basin's one pager and their narrative submittal. Before CDPHE agrees to pass the money through our grant, or water's, we need assurance that's EPA (and any auditors) would agree that the SJBHD costs are superfund appropriate costs. Can you please try to run that down?

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 8, 2015, at 10:11 AM, Miller, Johanna <[Miller.Johanna@epa.gov](mailto:Miller.Johanna@epa.gov)> wrote:

Yes – however it was our understanding that they wanted to be funded through a grant with CDPHE so we were expecting the formal funding request to come through you and be tied to either a CERCLA cooperative agreement or one of the clean water act grants. Bill and Cinna might have something to add here. Johanna

**From:** Sheets - CDPHE, Monica [mailto:[monica.sheets@state.co.us](mailto:monica.sheets@state.co.us)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 07, 2015 7:56 PM  
**To:** Miller, Johanna  
**Cc:** Faulk, Libby; Peterson, Cynthia; Murray, Bill; Ketellapper, Victor; [doug.jamison@state.co.us](mailto:doug.jamison@state.co.us); Parker, Robert; Wharton, Steve  
**Subject:** Re: Upper Animas Long Term Remediation Outreach Strategy

Can we also add a short discussion/update with where we are with the funding for SJBHD, as they continue to inquire? Thanks.

On Wed, Oct 7, 2015 at 2:27 PM, Miller, Johanna <[Miller.Johanna@epa.gov](mailto:Miller.Johanna@epa.gov)> wrote:

## **DRAFT AGENDA**

Discuss draft outreach plan attached

    comments revisions suggestions

Assignments for work products needed to support outreach

Discuss upcoming SF Site Tours

Assignments, action items

Other issues?

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